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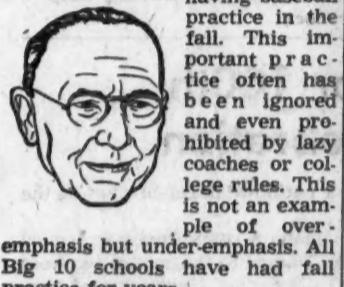
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2ND BASE COACH

By J. F. McKALE

A NATIONAL LEAGUE scout chuckles over this one: In a huge promotional contest the last-place Los Angeles Dodgers offered as a grand prize a season ticket for all Coliseum games. The second prize was two season tickets!

THE NAVAL ACADEMY is one of the many teams now having baseball practice in the fall. This important practice often has been ignored and even prohibited by lazy coaches or college rules. This is not an example of over-emphasis but under-emphasis. All Big 10 schools have had fall practice for years.



COACH CHARLEY GELBERT of Lafayette has advanced a plan of having a national tournament of seniors only from each of the eight NCAA districts. His proposed tournament would replace the present College World Series. There is doubt that the NCAA will sanction the all-star type of tournament, but the matter will be further discussed at the next NCAA convention in January in Cincinnati.

NEXT YEAR will be the college baseball centennial. Williams and Amherst Colleges will attempt to re-enact the original game on May 15-16 as it was first played 100 years ago. A movement is on foot for all college teams to observe this centenary at their opening game for the 1959 season.

College baseball coaches across the country ought to start thinking about their own promotion of this anniversary. Coaches might plan to have the Governor or mayor of their cities issue an official proclamation marking 'College Baseball Week' and might have the mayor throw out the ball at the season opener.

And the occasion might be a good one to bring a little honor to the college baseball coach himself by having the city pay respects to him at the opening game for his contribution to the community.

AFTER NINE SUCCESSIVE years at Omaha we fail to see more interest than was shown in 1950. This has been disappointing to the A.A.C.B.C.

The N.C.A.A. brass is putting light heat on the college baseball authorities to spread the annual tournament around the country.

Any interested party can find John Kobs at Michigan State University.

WITH NO IDEA of disagreeing with the All-America selection committee the following players who appeared at Omaha didn't look like Little Leaguers to us. Players like Pitchers Bill Thom and Bruce Gardner of USC and Outfielder Ron Fairly of USC, Catcher Hank Kuhlmann of Missouri; Third Baseman Gene Leek of Arizona; Pitcher Ron Herbel of Colorado State College and Third Baseman Ken Komodzinski of Holy Cross.



QUEENLY READING—Jeanne Gurnett (left), Queen of the 1958 College World Series, and Janice Daly, Tourney Sweetheart, took time to read the Collegiate Baseball Digest in the grandstand at Omaha. The Queens highly recommended the 16-page special tournament edition which was distributed throughout Omaha. Have you ordered your subscription for 1959? (Photo by Tom Foust).

Golden State Is College Baseball King For 1958

Southern California, San Diego State Take National Championships

By ABE CHANIN

California—the Golden State—is the collegiate baseball capital of the country for 1958.

Southern California's powerful Trojans drove to the NCAA championship in the College World Series at Omaha. And the San Diego State Aztecs swept to the small schools national championship at Alpine, Tex., by capturing the National Association of Inter-collegiate Athletics tournament.

IN 1957 the University of California won the College World Series while host school Sul Ross was the NAIA champion.

San Diego was an unstoppable powerhouse in the NAIA this year, scoring three straight victories by scores of 12-1, 17-0 and 23-9. Coach Charlie Smith's Aztecs finished the 1958 season with a 41-7-1 record.

Southern California's performance in the College World Series was none the less spectacular. The Trojans suffered their first shutout of the season when Holy Cross scored a 3-0 victory in the opening round.

But USC played it like champions as they fought back throughout the losers bracket to win the title. Only one other team (Texas in 1950) was able to win the national championship after losing a first round game.

FROM THAT first round USC used excellent pitching to win the tourney. Bruce Gardner shutout Arizona, 4-0; Bob Blakeslee allowed only 2 hits in a 12-1 thumping of Colorado State College; Gardner came back to stop Holy Cross, 6-2, on a 6-hitter.

And then came the two-game series with Missouri, the tourney surprise. Coach John (Hi) Simmons' Tigers defeated Western Michigan, 3-1 on Don Gulick's four-hitter in the first round

Missouri routed Colorado State, 11-2 in its second game. Then Elmer (Bud) Harbin, a youngster who had pitched only 6 1/3 innings all season because of a sore arm, knocked Holy Cross out of the championship bracket with a 4-1 victory. Harbin allowed the Crusaders, the top hitting team in the tourney, only 5 hits.

That brought Missouri up against USC on June 18 and the Tigers needed only to beat the Californians for their second College World Series championship.

BUT ROD DEDEAUX' club

In Pro-College Dispute

Peace Talks Are In Sight

College and pro baseball may come to an agreement sooner than many think.

It has been reported that Commissioner Ford Frick has expressed new interest in arranging talks with college officials.

Everett D. Barnes, one of college baseball's long-time workers for a pro-college agreement, said that Frick had told him he had new ideas on the subject.

And the baseball commissioner has named Frank Lane and George Weiss of the Ameri-

can League and Bing Devine and Bob Carpenter of the National League to set plans for preparatory conferences with college baseball leaders this summer.

L. C. (Cap) Timm, president of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches, told an open meeting of his group at Omaha that "we are closer to re-negotiations than at any previous time."

"I am very optimistic," said the Iowa State baseball coach, "that we will have some kind

AACBC Meets Jan. 4-5-6 In Cincinnati

OMAHA—A proposal to give membership status to junior college baseball coaches will be brought up for consideration when the American Association of College Baseball Coaches meets in Cincinnati this winter.

L. C. (Cap) Timm, president of the AACBC, said a request for membership had been made by junior college coaches.

TIMM ALSO announced at meetings during the College World Series at Omaha that the 1959 AACBC convention will be held Jan. 4-5-6 at the Sheraton-Gibson Hotel in Cincinnati.

Wayne McFarland, noted speaker from Topeka, Kans., will be the main speaker at the Coach-of-the-Year banquet.

The coaches meeting at Omaha also heard a proposal for a change in the College World Series by Charley Gelbert, Lafayette College coach. Gelbert's suggestion of having district all-star teams meet in the Series was put on the agenda for the winter meetings.

JOHN KOBBS of Michigan State reported on plans to have baseball included in the next Olympic games. He also urged coaches to further the support of collegiate baseball rules.

FINAL STANDINGS of the 1958 College World Series

Place	Team	W	L	Pct.
1.	USC	4	1	.800
2.	Missouri	3	2	.667
3.	Western Mich.	2	2	.500
4.	Holy Cross	2	2	.500
5.	Clemson	1	2	.333
6.	Colo. State Coll.	1	2	.333
7.	Arizona	0	2	.000
	Lafayette	0	2	.000

Don't Be Left Stranded On The Basepaths!

This is the last edition of the College Baseball Digest for 1958. But the paper received such a wonderful reception that it will be back, bigger and sharper in 1959.

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of action before the winter meetings in Cincinnati."

College and pro baseball had an agreement for only one year and it failed to work then because the minor leagues refused to ratify it.

College coaches have sought the agreement as an end to the ever-increasing raiding of campuses by the pros. It has been estimated that more than \$3 million have been spent by the pros for college players since the pro bonus rule was dropped.



NATIONAL CHAMPIONS—This is the formal championship picture taken at Omaha of the University of Southern California's College World Series kings. Left to right in the front row are Fred Scott, Mike Blewett, Ron Fairly, Bill Heath, Don Buford, Bob Blakeslee, Don Biasotti, Coach Rod Dedeaux, Justin Dedeaux (bat boy and coach's son),

and Frank O'Neill, trainer. Back row (starting third from left) are Rex Johnston, Bruce Gardner, Bob Santich, John Werhas, John Christiansen, Jerry Siegert, Jim Barudoni, Ken Guffey, Jim Conroy, Bill Thom and Assistant Coach Terry Finigan. (Photo by Morrie Schadel, Omaha World-Herald).



TOURNEY PUBLICITY—Fritz deBeer (left) of the J. deBeer & Son baseball company, studies one of the thousands of Collegiate Baseball Digests which were flown to Omaha to aid in publicizing the tournament. Looking over the paper with him is Wayne Duke, assistant to the executive secretary of the NCAA. Duke ran the press box and handled pre-tourney publicity.



TIME FOR RELAXATION—Max Bishop (left), Navy's coach; A. J. Lewandowski, tournament director and Rip Collins, former major league star now with Wilson Sporting Goods relax over a copy of the Collegiate Baseball Digest in between tournament games.



COCA-COLA GIFT—Bobby Encinas, University of Arizona pitcher, receives a handy Coca-Cola cooler. All the players and coaches at the College World Series received the gift. Left to right are Wayne McConnell of Coca-Cola; Encinas; Charles Bourdelais of Coca-Cola; A. J. Lewandowski, tournament director from the University of Nebraska; and Gene Heine of Coca-Cola.



TOURNEY EXPERTS—Frank Ryan (left) of Hillerich and Bradsby Co. (Louisville Slugger bats) and Don Rossi of A. G. Spalding Co. study game strategy from the grandstand during the opening round of the '58 College World Series.

FRIENDLY APPROACH — Sporting goods dealers at the College World Series got together for this friendly chat before the official AACBC meetings. Left to right are Bert Redding, Rawlings; Duke Zilber, A. G. Spalding; Botts Crowley, MacGregor; Johnny Broadnax, Hanna Bat Co.; Clyde Wiedemann, Lannom Co. (Worth Baseball) and Vaughn Russell, Rawlings.



Tells Coaches How To Aid Game

Woman Scribe Wins Contest

OMAHA — Beard-growing contests are one of the few remaining competitions open only to men.

Another stronghold, the baseball pressbox, fell to a woman this week.

MARY GARBER, sports staffer for the Twin-City Sentinel, Winston-Salem, N.C., came away with one of the top awards in the annual sports-

writing competition sponsored by the American Association of College Baseball Coaches.

She was awarded first place for newspapers under 50,000 circulation in the feature and column category. At the coaches' winter meeting Miss Garber will receive the first place prize of one hundred dollars.

Her entry was a no-punches-pulled column outlining the problems of college baseball

and what can be done to increase the popularity of this campus sport.

Winners announced today (Wednesday, June 18) were judged on the quality of their work and its significance for college baseball. Other top awards went to the following:

LES SKINNER, Cincinnati, O., Times-Star, for best news coverage of college baseball in a paper with more than 50,000 circulation; Joe Englert, New Orleans, La., Item, best feature coverage of the sport in a paper with more than 50,000 circulation, and Jack E. Williams, Durham, N.C., Morning Herald, best straight news coverage in papers under 50,000 circulation.

Bob East, Miami, Fla., Herald, was named as top photographer in the contest. Runnerup in this area was John Greensmith of the San Diego, Calif., Union.

Judging in this contest is held annually at Creighton University in conjunction with the NCAA baseball tournament, the College World Series. This panel of judges is headed by the Rev. R. C. Williams, S.J., director of communication arts at Creighton.

Other judges were Basil Raferty, state editor for Associated

Press in Nebraska; Abe Chanin, editor of the Collegiate Baseball Digest, Tucson, Ariz.; Danny Litwhiler, baseball coach of Florida State University, Tallahassee, Fla., and Harry Dolphin, director of the Creighton University news bureau.

HONORABLE MENTION in the writing contest was earned by the following:

News stories in papers over 50,000—Gay Talese, New York Times, and Jack Rice, St. Louis, Mo., Post-Dispatch.

Features and columns in papers over 50,000—Huck Finnegan, Boston, Mass., Record-American; Smith Barrier, Greensboro, N.C., Daily News, and Bill Newell, Hartford, Conn., Courant.

News stories in papers under 50,000—Edward DeGraw, Alliance, O., Review, and Bert Bertine, Champaign-Urbana, Ill., Courier.

Features and columns in papers under 50,000—Charles Paulsell, Columbia, Mo., Daily Tribune, and Tom Foust, Tucson, Ariz., Daily Star.

First place winners will receive hundred-dollar checks and special certificates will be awarded to all winners at the coaches' meeting in January.

The Letterbox

Digest On File

EDITOR:

Many thanks for your courtesy in sending the back issues of the Collegiate Baseball Digest for now I can complete the series for our files in the Athletic Dept.

Congratulations on the fine job you are doing with the Digest and please tell Mac that I thoroughly enjoy his column (2nd Base Coach).

C.R. SMITH

Baseball Coach
San Diego State College
San Diego, Cal.

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EDITOR:

We certainly appreciate your coverage of Lowell Tech for this past season.

Your paper has given new life to collegiate baseball.

The Collegiate Baseball Digest belongs to every Athletic Department Library in the U.S.A.

J. FREDERIC BURTT
Publicity Director
Lowell Tech Institute
Lowell, Mass.

41 Pro Scouts Attend Series

OMAHA—Forty-one scouts representing every major league team were in attendance at the College World Series. The St. Louis Cardinals, New York Yankees and Los Angeles Dodgers had the biggest delegations, four men each. Here's the listing:

NATIONAL LEAGUE — St. Louis Cardinals — Joe Matthes, Mike Ryba, Fred Hawn, Walter Shannon; Los Angeles Dodgers — Hugh Alexander, Al Campanis, Bert Wells, Duce Belford; Philadelphia Phillies — Jim Gallagher, Tom Demark; Pittsburgh Pirates — Howie Haak, Tufie Hashem, Ken Syas; San Francisco Giants — Gene Thompson, Joe Grace; Cincinnati Reds — Mickey Owen, Stan Hollmig; Chicago Cubs — Gene Lawing, Claude Freeman; Milwaukee Braves — Wid Matthews, Russ Sehon, Dick Cecil.

AMERICAN LEAGUE — New York Yankees — Jerry Coleman, Bill Skiff, Joe McDermott, Lou Maguolo; Boston Red Sox — Denby Galehouse, Denny Doyle, Tommy Thomas; Detroit Tigers — Rick Ferrell, Bob Mavis; Chicago White Sox — Jack Sheehan, Vern Kennedy, Charlie Seymour; Cleveland Indians — Cy Slapnicka, John Schulte; Kansas City Athletics — George Selkirk, Joe Bowman, Marvin Olson; Baltimore Orioles — Phil Gallivan; Washington Senators — Ray Baker.

Series Attendance Shows Slight Drop

OMAHA—Attendance at the 1958 College World Series here dropped off from a year ago.

The drop was noted even though the tournament was extended the full route by the University of Southern California which lost its first round game and then climbed back into the finals.

Here are the all-time College World Series attendance records since 1950:

1950	17,085
1951	27,789
1952	38,731
1953	31,990
1954	35,403
1955	21,843
1956	29,940
1957	27,133
1958	25,931

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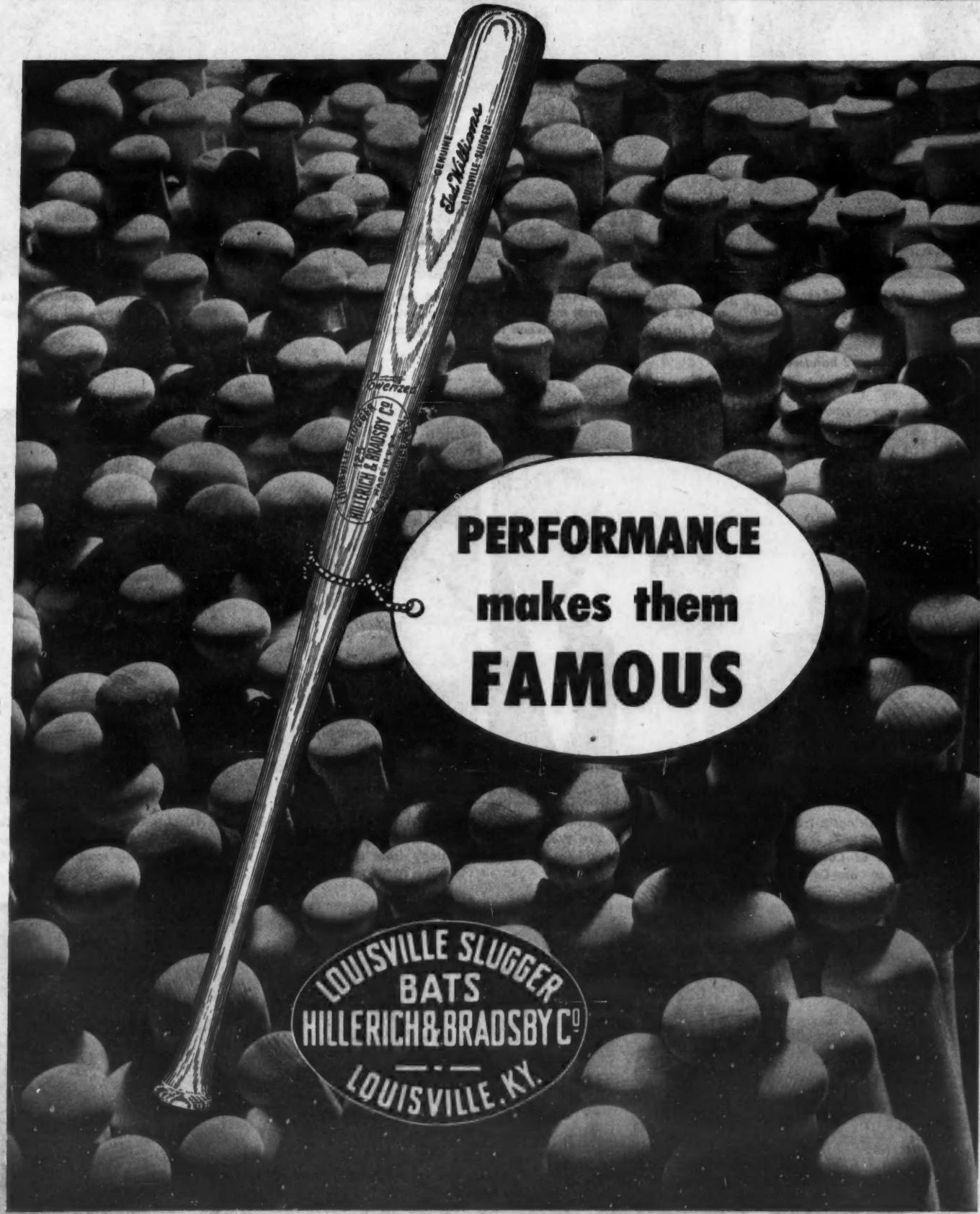
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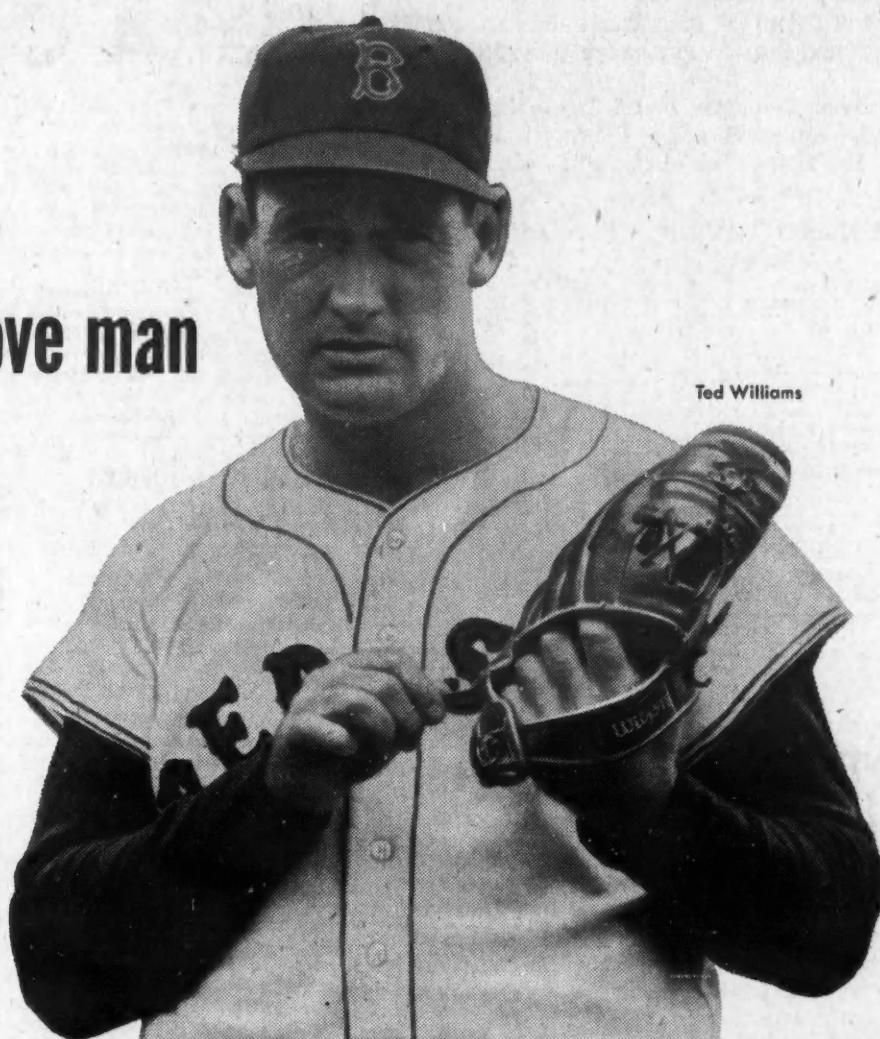
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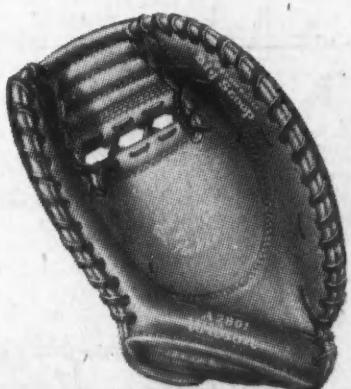
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Tourney Pitching Records

OMAHA—Bill Thom of Southern California compiled the best strikeout and earned run average in the 1958 College World Series.

Thom struck out 21 batters in 21 1/3 innings and had an ERA of 0.85. Harold Stowe of Clemson was second in strikeouts with 19. Don Gulick of Missouri and Bruce Gardner of USC had 2-0 records.

TOURNAMENT PITCHING RECORDS

(Ranked on ERA)

PITCHER, SCHOOL	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	W-L	ERA
Gebhard, Lafayette	31-3	4	2	0	2	3	0-0	0.00
Thom, USC	21 1-3	13	3	2	3	21	2-1	0.85
Morrisey, West. Mich.	9	8	3	1	3	0	1-0	0.99
Hugelmeyer, Holy Cross	6	2	1	1	6	3	0-0	1.49
Gulick, Missouri	22	14	5	4	4	15	2-0	1.63
Blakeslee, USC	15 2-3	10	4	3	5	10	1-0	1.68
Stowe, Clemson	17 1-3	14	5	4	7	19	1-1	2.11
Gardner, USC	14 1-3	12	4	4	7	15	2-0	2.56
Topp, West. Mich.	10	5	3	3	2	9	1-0	2.70
Sosnowski, West. Mich.	18	14	6	6	7	14	0-2	2.99
Horbin, Missouri	12	6	5	4	9	10	1-0	2.99
Barudoni, SC	5 2-3	4	2	2	8	3	0-0	2.99
Defino, Holy Cross	9	11	4	3	2	6	0-1	2.99
Herbel, Colo. State Coll.	11	6	5	4	9	16	1-0	3.26
Parsons, Lafayette	10	8	4	4	2	11	0-1	3.60
O'Donoghue, Missouri	21 2-3	17	9	9	13	15	1-2	3.68
Kempf, Colo. State Coll.	6 2-3	11	11	3	5	5	0-1	3.75
Farino, Holy Cross	9	10	4	4	6	5	1-0	3.99
Dietz, Holy Cross	11	14	5	5	1	4	1-1	4.08
Popkin, Arizona	8	7	4	4	5	5	0-1	4.50
Ward, Arizona	8	7	4	4	6	1	0-1	4.50
Bernhardt, Colo. State Coll.	9	12	10	8	9	6	0-1	7.99
McDonald, Clemson	1 2-3	4	2	2	3	1	0-0	9.00
Cooper, Missouri	1	1	1	1	2	0	0-0	9.00
Edgeworth, Clemson	1	2	1	1	1	0	0-0	9.00
Smith, Lafayette	5 2-3	6	8	8	8	3	0-1	10.49
Lakey, Clemson	4 2-3	10	9	7	2	6	0-0	12.60
Oster, Colo. State Coll.	1-3	3	2	2	0	0	0-0	18.00
Hendley, Clemson	1 1-3	3	7	6	4	1	0-1	34.00

Ken Komodzinski Leads Hitters In Tournament

Ken Komodzinski, Holy Cross third baseman, was the leading hitter in the 1958 College World Series.

Based on a minimum of 10 times at bat, Komodzinski led with an average of .500. He had 9 hits in 18 times at bat. Mike Castanon of USC and Sonny Siebert of Missouri had 10 hits apiece to lead in that department. Castanon was tops in runs batted in with 6.

The tournament batting averages:

PLAYER, SCHOOL, POS.	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	Avg.
Hurd, Arizona, If	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	1.000
McDonald, Clemson, p	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1.000
Lewis, Arizona, ss	7	0	5	1	0	0	0	.714
Acro, Colo. State, 3b	9	4	5	0	0	0	1	.556
Komodzinski, Holy Cross, 3b	18	4	9	2	1	4	5	.500
Blewett, USC, 3b	6	2	3	0	2	0	2	.500
Santich, USC, c	4	1	2	0	0	0	1	.500
Topp, West. Mich., p	4	2	2	0	0	1	1	.500
Farino, Holy Cross, p	4	1	2	0	0	0	3	.500
Norris, Clemson, 2b	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	.500
Barudoni, USC, p	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	.500
Leek, Arizona, 2b	7	1	3	0	0	0	0	.428
Bagwell, Clemson, 3b	12	3	5	1	0	0	4	.417
Heath, USC, c	12	2	5	0	0	0	1	.416
Siebert, Missouri, 1b	25	6	10	2	3	0	3	.400
Morgan, Lafayette, ss	8	2	2	0	0	0	0	.400
Kessler, Lafayette, 2b	5	2	2	0	0	0	2	.400
Winegar, West. Mich., cf	18	3	7	1	1	1	5	.389
DeBerry, Clemson, 1b	13	2	5	0	0	0	1	.385
Toff, Missouri, rf	24	6	9	0	0	1	4	.375
Sloan, Lafayette, c	8	0	3	0	0	0	1	.375
Castanon, USC, 2b	27	1	10	2	1	0	6	.370
Coker, Clemson, c	9	0	3	0	0	0	0	.333
Burnette, Clemson, 2b	6	1	2	0	0	0	0	.333
Hendley, Clemson, p-of	6	1	2	2	0	0	1	.333
Horbin, Missouri, p	6	2	2	1	0	0	0	.333
Johnson, USC, rf	19	3	6	1	0	0	3	.315
Fairly, USC, cf	16	3	5	3	0	0	0	.312
Tracy, Holy Cross, 1b	10	1	3	0	0	0	3	.300
Wilson, Clemson, If	10	0	3	0	0	0	0	.300
Peck, Colo. State, 1b	10	0	3	0	0	0	0	.300
Jenkins, Colo. State, cf	10	4	3	0	0	0	0	.300
Kuhmann, Missouri, c	24	3	7	1	0	0	5	.291
Rancourt, Holy Cross, c	14	3	4	1	0	1	4	.287
Ringel, Holy Cross, cf	14	3	4	1	0	1	3	.287
Caesar, Lafayette, 3b	7	1	2	0	1	0	3	.285
Blakeslee, USC, p	25	2	7	1	0	0	2	.280
Uriarte, Missouri, 3b	18	3	5	2	0	0	1	.278
O'Brien, Holy Cross, rf	11	1	3	1	0	0	2	.272
Chamberlain, Colo. State, rf	19	2	5	1	0	0	4	.263
Berardino, Holy Cross, cf	16	3	4	1	0	0	3	.250
Siebert, USC, rf	8	2	2	0	0	0	0	.250
Kline, Lafayette, cf	27	3	5	0	0	0	0	.250
Gaffey, USC, 1b	25	5	6	0	1	0	3	.240
Scott, USC, ss	25	5	6	0	1	0	3	.240
Grabowski, West. Mich., If	13	3	3	0	0	0	0	.230
Mason, West. Mich., 1b	14	0	3	1	0	0	1	.214
Belanger, West. Mich., c	14	0	3	0	0	0	0	.214
Hochgrae, Missouri, ss	20	4	4	0	0	0	0	.200
Bomm, Colo. State, 2b	10	1	2	0	0	0	0	.200
Christiansen, USC, c	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	.200
Starr, Missouri, 2b	27	3	5	0	0	0	0	.185
Haas, Missouri, If	22	3	4	1	1	0	5	.181
Liptak, Holy Cross, ss	11	2	2	1	0	0	1	.181
Buchanan, West. Mich., If	11	0	2	0	0	0	1	.181
Hock, West. Mich., If	11	1	2	0	0	0	0	.181
Spies, Clemson, ss	12	2	2	1	0	0	1	.167
Rohne, Colo. State, ss	12	1	2	0	0	0	2	.167
Grossman, Missouri, cf	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	.167
Thom, USC, If	25	1	4	0	0	0	2	.160
Bisetti, USC, 3b	13	3	2	0	0	0	1	.153
Messick, Arizona, 1b	7	0	1	0	0	0	1	.142
Ryan, Holy Cross, 2b	15	3	2	0	1	0	0	.133
Griener, Arizona, rf	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	.125
Gulick, Missouri, p	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	.125
Nikles, Lafayette, If	19	1	1	0	0	0	0	.111
Myers, Missouri, cf	10	0	1	0	0	0	0	.100
Morris, West. Mich., If	12	2	1	0	0	0	1	.100
Greenwood, West. Mich., 2b	12	2	1					

Gary Totland Tops Skyline Loop Hitters

By Paul Moloney

GREELEY, Colo.—Utah's Gary Totland, New Mexico's Wayne Gares and Adams State's Ben Brown reigned as 1958 batting champions in District 7.

Totland, Utah University infielder, captured the Skyline Western Division batting championship with a snappy .467 average, the best in the entire Skyline batting race.

Gares, catcher-first baseman for the Lobos, was the only Eastern Division batter to surpass the coveted .400 level as he led his Skyline division with a .419 batting average.

BEN BROWN, Adams' State's third baseman, nipped teammate Jim Workman by only one point in the Rocky Mountain conference batting race which covered the entire season up to the NCAA and NAIA playoffs. The Skyline hitting statistics were limited to conference games.

Brown hit .436 while Workman turned in a .435 while playing the infield and pitching. He rated the most versatile player in the RMC.

Utah University's Blaine Sylvester, lanky righthander, was the best pitcher in the Skyline conference earned run-wise. In winning six straight games, Sylvester gained a 1.41 earned run average. However, he was blasted 17-2 by Brigham Young in the Skyline Western Division play-offs.

BEHIND SYLVESTER was a Eastern Division champion Jarvis Ivy, double duty man for New Mexico. Ivy enjoyed a 1.58 earned run average while winning five and losing two.

Adams State's Darrell Westbrook won the Rocky Mountain conference earned run championship with a 1.55 earned run average. He scored five straight triumphs.

But the winningest pitcher in the District was Colorado State College's Ron Herbel who finished the entire season with an 11-3 record. The Bear sophomore abandons the collegiate diamond this summer. After the College World Series in which Herbel beat Lafayette, 10-5, Major League scouts from 14 clubs offered him bonus contracts. He was scheduled to sign a contract June 22.

DISTRICT 7 NOTES: The only District 7 player to be named to the 1958 Coaches' All-America team was Colorado State College catcher Larry Klumb, an exceptionally fine handler of pitchers. Klumb received mention on the Coaches' third team. Klumb is the fourth CSC Bear to be named to an All-American team. The others were pitcher John Hogg, third team in 1956 and 1957; outfielder Dick Porter in 1955 and outfielder Del Petersen in 1957, both to the second team.

The nation's leading slugger in 1957, John Kuenzel of the U.S. Air Force, finished well below his 1957 performance but managed to hit .406 for the season, getting 26 hits in 64 trips to the plate. Among his hits were 2 doubles, 5 triples and 3 home runs.

Idaho State, playing baseball as an independent, finished the season with a 7-11 record. Senior Ray Shumway topped the Bengals in hitting with a lusty .426 average. Regis College finished the season with a dismal 5-15 record.



WEARY JUDGES—A record number of entries flooded the judging table for the annual American Association of College Baseball Coaches newspaper contest. Judging the contest left to right were Harry Dolphin, publicity director for Creighton University; Danny Litwhiler, former major league star and baseball coach at Florida State University; Father R. C. Williams, S. J., head of Creighton's communications department; Abe Chanin, editor of the Collegiate Baseball Digest and Basil Rafferty of the Omaha Associated Press.

USC, Missouri Dominate '58 All-Tourney Squad

OMAHA—National champion Southern California and runner-up Missouri dominated the all-tournament team of the 1958 College World Series. The team was elected by newspapermen and sportscasters.

USC's Trojans placed Mike Castanon, Fred Scott, Ron Fairly and Bill Thom on the all-tourney team. Missouri, loser to the Trojans in the finale, 8-7, also won four places.

The official all-tournament team:

FIRST BASE—Wilfred Siebert, Missouri.
SECOND BASE—Mike Castanon, Southern California.
SHORTSTOP—Fred Scott, Southern California.
THIRD BASE—Ken Komodzinski, Holy Cross.
OUTFIELD—Martin Toft, Missouri.
OUTFIELD—Marvin Winegar, Western Michigan.
OUTFIELD—Ron Fairly, Southern California.
CATCHER—Hank Kuhlmann, Missouri.
PITCHER—Bill Thom, Southern California.
PITCHER—Doug Gulick, Missouri.



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7-run outburst. This time it came in the fourth inning with Catcher Bill Heath starting the drive with a single.

HARBIN HIT a streak of wildness, throwing 13 straight pitches for balls. First Baseman Ken Guffey doubled in two USC runs and the rally was underway.

Sonny Siebert, one of the tourney's leading hitters, opened the eighth inning with a single and Missouri scored 3 runs to tie the game.

Thom, who had stopped Missouri the previous night, came on to pitch. He shutout the Tigers for the last 4-innings of the 12-inning game—the first extra-inning championship game in College World Series history.

While Thom was clipping the Tigers, USC won the game in the 12th when Rex Johnston beat out a slow infield hopper for a hit. He moved to second on a bunt and went to third on an infield out.

Then Mike Blewett came off the bench to single over the rightfielder's head for the 8-7, 12-inning national championship triumph.

NEW YORK — Jack Kaiser, baseball coach at St. John's University, is managing the Lexington Red Sox in the all-rookie Nebraska State League. This will be his second season with Lexington, which is affiliated with the Boston Red Sox. Last season, he led his team to a second place finish.

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A Woman Sports Scribe Gives Men The Word . . .

This is the prize-winning column written by Mary Garber. The column carries the heading "Shirt-in' Sports":

Jazz Up College Baseball

What college baseball needs is a "spec."

A "spec" in case you're not a circus buff, is the Big Show's "show-off." It's designed to glamorize and lure the cash customer in to see the skilled acts.

College baseball men are in much the same position as the circus. They have a product to sell. What they need is a gimmick to get fans out so they can show their product.

Some college baseball men are hoping the Dixie Classic will be the answer. Frankly, boys, I don't think so. This is not to say the classic is a bad idea. I haven't seen enough to say. I don't think, though, that a baseball classic held early in April will serve to interest the uninterested.

Why? In the first place, it's too cold. You're not going to get the uninitiated and unenthusiastic to leave TV to watch baseball on a cold night. And April nights are usually cold.

Second, this early in the season you have little to sell. I don't mean the product is poor. I mean you yourselves don't know what your product will be. You haven't had time to work your teams enough to know who will be the glamour boys or colorful characters. You can't tell us and so we can't tell the public.

There's no getting around it. You have to sell college baseball. And in the past, college baseball men have done a pretty poor job of it. Baseball's hard to sell. I'll admit, most of you have a tough time selling even your students and college administrations. Check your scholarship list against those of your football or basketball coach. And, since your students are less interested, when they become alumni they're not as quick to contribute.

Baseball is the oldest of three major college sports (football, basketball and baseball). Yet, baseball has let these upstarts out-glamorize them and steal the public interest.

College Season Is Too Short

Sure, college baseball works under a handicap. One is the short season. Even in the alleged sunny South, it's mid-April or early May before the weather gets decent. I shudder to think of baseball in Massachusetts. When the weather does get good, there's only about a month before exams.

Second, professional baseball is a stern competitor. The pros attract more fan interest than the colleges and there's the never-ending battle of the pro scouts signing players before they finish college.

Personally, I think the college coaches are getting mad at the wrong people when they jump on the scouts. So long as it's legal to sign a collegian you can't blame the scouts. If one man passes up a good player, someone else will get him. The fellows you coaches want to change are the owners who make the rules and pay the scouts salaries.

Why do football and basketball have less trouble than baseball in this? I believe the basic reason is that pro football and basketball men think they'll get a better product if they wait until the athlete graduates. Baseball men do not. Part of this is the theory that only a professional team can train a professional baseball player. That may have been true once but with so many ex-pros coaching college baseball, it's not so now. Or at least it wouldn't be if the coaches had time to work.

All of which leads to the rather obvious fact that college baseball must extend its season. The only solution is to have a summer program. With most colleges in session the year around, that would take very little adjustment.

A Little Imagination Helps Too

How, though, are you going to sell the general fan? Football and basketball sold themselves by jazzing up the product. Remember a fellow named Knute Rockne who coached at Notre Dame? He saw a chorus line in a Chicago theatre and adapted it to his football backfield. Most people thought he was crazy at first but it was the basis for the wide-open, speededup style of play which has built college football to a big-time business. And who would watch one of the slow-moving old-style basketball games? Nope, basketball had to change to meet fan interest.

Baseball must too. Steps are already being taken to speed up the game. The Classic rule ending games at two hours and 15 minutes is good. It should be season long.

Second, college baseball needs promotion. It needs colorful characters, properly exploited and sold to the public. Sure, the fans flock to see Ted Williams and Mickey Mantle. Don't forget, though, that a good job of promotion was done to make the fans want to see these men.

What about some post-season game promotions? Is the ACC better than the Ivy League? How about an all-star game to prove it. How would a team of college seniors stack up against one of the teams from the pro's rookie league?

What I'm trying to say is, you have to take chances. You have to do things different from what has been done in the past. You have to tailor your product some to catch the interest.

Valparaiso Tops Indiana All-Stars

By DON TOURTELLOT

GREENCASTLE, Ind.—Valparaiso placed four men on the Indiana Collegiate Conference All-Star team for 1958.

And Gerald Jeffries, Indiana State second baseman, won the league's hitting title with .486. Parker Eaton of Indiana State had the best pitching record with 6-0.

THE ALL-STAR TEAM: 1b—Jack Finnegan; St. Joseph's; 2b—Gerald Jeffries, Indiana State; 3b—Don Hipes, Butler; SS—Jim Wilbrandt, Valparaiso; C—Tom Orton, Valparaiso; OF—Ken Schreiber, Valparaiso; Jim Bates, Indiana State; Dick Thompson, Evansville and Pitchers—Dick Beumer, Valparaiso; Greg Janich, St. Joseph's and Parker Eaton, Indiana State.

HONORABLE MENTION: Second Base—Rex Athan, Butler, and Don Maulding, Evansville; Third Base—Keith Schroeder, DePauw; Shortstop—Bob Plump, Butler; Catcher—Paul Edgerton, Indiana State; Outfield—Tom Deem, Bob Hamman, and Carl Kozlevcar, all of St. Joseph's; Bill Gilkey, Indiana State; and Larry Goeglein, Valparaiso; Pitchers—Jerry Twietmeyer, Valparaiso, and Dick Robinson, DePauw.

	G	AB	H	Avg.
1. Jeffries, Indiana State	10	37	18	.486
2. Orion, Valparaiso	12	34	16	.471
3. Kozlevcar, St. Joseph's	10	35	15	.429
4. Bates, Indiana State	8	33	13	.394
5. Gilkey, Indiana State	10	32	12	.375
6. Hipes, Butler	12	43	16	.372
7. Koehler, St. Joseph's	9	30	11	.367
8. Schreiber, Valparaiso	12	42	15	.357
9. Hamman, St. Joseph's	8	27	9	.333
10. Moses, Butler	11	40	13	.325

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	W	L	PCT.	GB
1. Indiana State	9	1	.900	
2. Valparaiso	9	3	.750	1
3. St. Joseph's	7	3	.700	2
4. Butler	6	6	.500	4
5. Evansville	4	8	.333	6
6. DePauw	3	9	.250	7
7. Ball State	2	10	.167	8

FINAL STANDINGS

	W	L	PCT.	GB
1. Indiana State	9	1	.900	
2. Valparaiso	9	3	.750	1
3. St. Joseph's	7	3	.700	2
4. Butler	6	6	.500	4
5. Evansville	4	8	.333	6
6. DePauw	3	9	.250	7
7. Ball State	2	10	.167	8

Contract Signers

AMONG THE SIGNINGS . . .

Harry Messick, Arizona first baseman to \$15,000 Cleveland contract. Conrad Munatones, UCLA utility player; Ernest Rodriguez, outfielder for UCLA and Infielder Ron Cutter, Wilmington, Ohio, College, all signed to Dodger contracts. John Kelly, Villanova pitcher, by Pittsburgh; Ron Wiley, Kansas U. pitcher, by Philadelphia; Ken Hunt, BYU freshman pitcher by Cincinnati; Spencer Scott, Central Michigan sophomore outfielder by Cubs for \$21,000; Marv Schultz, Central Michigan frosh star by Cincinnati for \$25,000. . . .

Frank Capitani, of Gettysburg, bonus contract with Philadelphia. . . . Jerry McNertney, Iowa State, by Chicago White Sox. . . . Randall Booth, Ohio State catcher, by the Cubs. . . . Bob Wedin, Connecticut pitcher, by the Milwaukee Braves. . . . Pete Wenzel, Mount Union College outfielder, by Washington. . . . Ron Perranoski, Michigan State pitcher, to a Cubs' bonus contract.

Outfielder Ron Fairly of USC, a sophomore, by Los Angeles for a bonus higher than ever given a California baseballer, reportedly over \$60,000. . . . Rex McMillan, Wake Forest outfielder and Atlantic Coast Conference batting champion with .397, signed by Pittsburgh.

And Mike Blewett, who hit the blow that brought USC the College World Series championship, signed with the Baltimore Orioles. . . .

Smith Tops Concordia

RIVER FOREST, Ill.—Burge Smith's .375 won the individual batting title for the season at Concordia Teachers College.

Marcus Pankow was second with .334. Harold Zastrow led pitchers with a 3.06 ERA. Concordia had a 9-7-1 record.

Once you get fans talking baseball, once you catch their eye, you don't have to worry about weather or long games or anything else. The sports fan is a hardy soul. But you can't tell him this is what we have, take it or leave it. You have to sell it. "Ladiez and Gentlemen, welcome to the Greatest Game . . ." Then, you have to make sure it is.

The Press Box

National League Umpire Praises Collegiate Game

By ABE CHANIN

HOW DOES collegiate baseball compare with its professional cousin?

Vinnie Smith, the National League umpire, says he was "pleasantly surprised" when he went to Omaha to work with the 1958 College World Series.

"I had just worked that record 7 hour and 43 minute doubleheader in St. Louis and I was looking forward to even slower baseball at Omaha," Smith confided.

"But I was pleasantly surprised. Those college kids really hustled and the pitchers kept the ball around the plate all the time.

"I caught games of 2:05, 2:14 and 2:28 in the College World Series. I didn't have games that fast in the National League.

"I'd be willing to work those college games any time."

SERIES EXPERTS—The 1958 College World Series was expertly run.

Games were run smoothly and without any difficulties. There were few, if any, complaints.

And the credit for the outstanding tournament goes to John Kobs of Michigan State, A. J. Lewandowski of Nebraska and Kyle Anderson of the University of Chicago and their tournament committee workers.

The collegiate tournament crew is expert enough to move the tournament to any spot in the nation and do an excellent job.

SERIES NOTES . . . Warren Giles of the National League was the guest of the tournament. He came to Omaha for the College World Series and to visit his son at a nearby air base. . . . the average time for games in the 1958 College World Series was under 2:30. . . . Western Michigan had its troubles and yet performed well in the Series. The Broncos lost their starting shortstop and their pitching ace, Jack Rumohr, due to illness even before the tournament started. . . . Wayne Duke of the NCAA did an excellent job operating the press box and providing statistical information. . . . And Omaha newspapers gave the Series its best coverage. Bob Phipps and Wally Provost did Series stories, color and columns. . . .

When Holy Cross shutout USC, 3-0 in the opening round of the Series, it was the first time the Trojans were shutout all season. And Arizona suffered its first shutout in 51 games in the second round when SC blanked the Wildcats, 4-0. SC also shutout Missouri, 7-0. That was Missouri's first whitewashing in 28 games. . . .

ALL-AMERICA SQUAD—The men who selected the 1958 Collegiate All-America squad did the best job they could. But they expect some squawks.

But the complaints won't be justified. The All-America team is a coaches' squad. It is picked by them. But unfortunately many coaches who have fine ball players fail to send information on them into their district chairman. Without such information strong All-America squads cannot be picked.

It's too late to do anything but complain for this year. But coaches can insure a strong team in the forthcoming years by working instead of complaining.

NEXT YEAR—The Collegiate Baseball Digest concludes its first year of publication for this year.

The paper received overwhelming support and will be back again in 1959. The first issue will be published Friday, January 2. We hope to have a better, larger paper and we hope you'll all be with us again in this solid venture to build greater collegiate baseball!

Oklahoma Posts

12-8 Record

NOMAN, Okla.—Don Nipp's .333 led Oklahoma hitters in 1958. Ron Plath with 3-1 and Eddie Fisher with 5-2 topped Sooners pitchers. Oklahoma had a 12-8 season's record under Coach Jack Baer.

MT. PLEASANT, Mich.—Central Michigan College's 1958 baseball team will go into the Chipewa record books as the team with the most victories for a single season with 25 victories plus a State NAIA tournament title.

Boardsen Is Iowa Teachers' Best

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia.—Danny Boardsen's .349 won the Iowa State Teachers' batting title for 1958.

Trailing Boardsen was Dick Ware's .324. Kent Folsom topped pitchers with 5-2. The Teachers had a 12-8 record, including a victory over South Dakota State for the North Central Conference championship.

Viola Is Named St. John's MVP

BROOKLYN, N.Y.—Emil Viola, named St. John's Most Valuable Player, topped Redmen pitchers with a 6-2 record.

The Redmen had a 14-10 season's record under Coach Jack Kaiser.

Ted Schreiber led St. John's hitters with .321.

DICK GRIESSER
LF—ArizonaJERRY SIEGERT
RF—Southern CalRAY URIARTE
3b—MissouriROBERT WEDIN
P—ConnecticutBERNIE PARRISH
2b—Florida

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Pos.	Player	School	Age	Height	Weight	Class	Hometown	Bats	Throws	At Bats	Runs	Hits	HR	RBIs	Batting Average	Fielding Average
1B	Frank Saia	Harvard	22	5-10	165	Sr.	Cambridge, Mass.	L	L	78	16	30	0	13	.358	.974
2B	Bernie Parrish	Florida	22	5-11	190	Sr.	Gainesville, Fla.	R	R	78	18	34	3	23	.433	.960
SS	Dick Howser	Florida State	20	5-8	150	Sr.	W. Palm Beach, Fla.	R	R	77	29	25	2	20	.325	.906
3B	Ray Uriarte	Missouri	25	5-9	160	Sr.	Mexico, Mo.	R	R	68	33	27	2	25	.397	.955
LF	Dick Griesser	Arizona	23	6-0	165	Sr.	Phoenix, Ariz.	L	R	170	36	46	1	23	.383	.928
CF	Ron Nieman	Wisconsin	22	6-0	180	Sr.	Oconomowoc, Wisc.	R	L	98	18	32	3	23	.327	.961
RF	Jerry Siegert	Southern Cal.	22	6-0	175	Sr.	Los Angeles	L	L	109	45	44	4	29	.404	.950
C	Ralph Holding	California	21	6-0	190	Sr.	Antioch, Cal.	R	R	123	19	44	0	23	.358	.971
P	Bob Wedin	Connecticut	21	6-4	205	Sr.	Seymour, Conn.	R	L	24	3	4	0	2	.165	.810
P	Jack Rumohr	Western Mich.	21	5-10	185	Sr.	Grand Rapids, Mich.	R	R	40	6	15	0	11	.375	1.000

Wedin's pitching record was 8-1 with 1.46 earned run average. Pitched 72 2/3 innings; gave up 45 hits and 12 earned runs; walked 28 and struckout 75. Rumohr's pitching record was 9-1 with 1.71 ERA. Pitched 92 1/3 innings; gave up 67 hits and 18 earned runs; walked 21 and struckout 38.

The Second Team

Position	Player	School	Age	Height	Weight	Class	Batting Average or Pitching Record
1B	Harry Messick	Arizona	21	6-0	180	Senior	.305
2B	Tom Morgan	Lafayette	21	5-7	165	Senior	.411
SS	Jerry Adair	Oklahoma State	20	6-1	175	Junior	.438
3B	Jack McCarten	Minnesota	22	6-1	200	Senior	.349
LF	Al Caesar	Lafayette	20	6-1	190	Senior	.406
CF	Lamar Jacobs	Ohio University	20	5-11	170	Junior	.467
RF	Martin Toft	Missouri	21	6-1	185	Junior	.395
C	Patrick Duke	Auburn	21	6-0	180	Senior	.347
P	Ron Nischwitz	Ohio State	21	6-2	190	Junior	9-1 (1.71)
P	Hal Deitz	Holy Cross	21	6-1	185	Junior	8-1 (0.88)

The Third Team

Position	Player	School	Age	Height	Weight	Class	Batting Average or Pitching Record
1B	Wilfred Siebert	Missouri	20	6-3	187	Junior	.386
2B	Mike Castanon	Southern Cal.	20	5-10	165	Junior	.368
SS	Marsh McLean	Amherst	22	6-1	180	Senior	.304
3B	Fred Walters	Delaware	21	6-1	180	Senior	.351
LF	Rex McMillan	Wake Forest	20	6-3	205	Junior	.397
CF	Ray Menge	Texas	22	5-11	175	Junior	.361
RF	Tom Palma	California	21	5-11	185	Senior	.330
C	Larry Klumb	Colo. State Coll.	21	5-8	190	Senior	.274
P	George Myers	Texas	22	6-2	200	Junior	10-1 (2.60)
P	Cal Emery	Penn State	20	6-2	190	Junior	8-2 (2.39)

The 1958 College All-America baseball squad was selected by the American Association of College Baseball Coaches in cooperation with General Mills. The Wheaties Sports Federation, headed by Bob Richards, sponsored the squad's selection. Making the final selection was a committee made up of Marty Karow, Ohio State, chairman; L. C. Timm, Iowa State and J. O. Christian, Connecticut.

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C—StanfordDICK HOWSER
SS—Florida StateFRANK SAIA
1b—HarvardRON NIEMAN
CF—WisconsinJACK RUMOHR
P—Western Michigan



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